

REPORT
OF
THE SECRETARY OF WAR,

IN ANSWER

To a resolution of the Senate, showing the amount expended for the support of the Military Academy during the past year.

FEBRUARY 4, 1858.—Referred to the Committee on Military Affairs and the Militia. Motion to print referred to the Committee on Printing.

FEBRUARY 9, 1858.—Report in favor of printing submitted, considered, and agreed to.

WAR DEPARTMENT,
Washington, February 2, 1858.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith reports of the Paymaster General and the officer in charge of the Engineer Bureau, accompanied by a statement of the latter, giving the information called for by a resolution of the Senate of the 28th ultimo, of the expenditure for the support of the Military Academy at West Point for the past year, including compensation of cadets and all officers connected therewith.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

JOHN B. FLOYD,
Secretary of War.

Hon. JOHN C. BRECKINRIDGE,
President of the Senate.

PAYMASTER GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Washington, D. C., February 1, 1858.

SIR: I have the honor to return herewith Senate resolution of January 28, calling for the amount of expenditure for the support of the Military Academy at West Point for the past year, and report, that the amount expended through this department for the year ending June 30, 1857, is \$94,505 26.

Under the law of 3d of March, 1857, increasing the pay of cadets, the estimate for the current year amounts to \$116,736.

Respectfully, your obedient servant,

BENJ. F. LARNED,
Paymaster General.

Hon. JOHN B. FLOYD,
Secretary of War.

ENGINEER DEPARTMENT,
Washington, February 1, 1858.

SIR: In compliance with instructions endorsed on the Senate resolution of the 28th ultimo, I have the honor to submit herewith a statement of the amount expended under direction of this department on account of the Military Academy during the year 1857.

This statement includes all expenditures for support of the Military Academy during the past year, except for pay of officers, cadets, &c., as to which it is understood the desired information will be supplied by the Paymaster General.

I, am, very respectfully, your most obedient,

H. G. WRIGHT,
Captain of Engineers, in charge.

Hon. JOHN B. FLOYD,
Secretary of War.

Statement of amount expended under direction of the Engineer Department for support of the Military Academy during the year 1857.

For what expended.	Amount.
Current and ordinary expenses.....	\$47,717 92
Increase and expenses of the library.....	872 57
Expenses of the Board of Visitors.....	2,767 40
Purchase of new equatorial telescope.....	146 23
Erecting barracks for engineer troops.....	4,273 07
Barracks for cadets.....	56 54
Barracks for dragoon detachment.....	5,000 00
Stables for dragoon and artillery horses.....	2,785 74
Forage for dragoon and artillery horses.....	6,482 37
Apparatus for warming buildings.....	1,695 54
Gas pipes, gasometers, &c.....	7,248 18
Repairs of officers' quarters.....	464 44
Purchase of furniture for cadets' hospital.....	55 62
Purchase of public clock.....	700 00
Purchase of bell, and mounting the same.....	657 61
Models for department of cavalry.....	916 88
Total.....	81,840 11